

Log Cabin
Schoharie Vicinity
Schoharie County, New York

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LOG CABIN
NEAR SCHOHARIE
SCHOHARIE COUNTY, N Y

OWNER OR CUSTODIAN: This old log cabin is owned by an Italian who lives just to the left of it and can speak so little English that we could not even get his name.

DATE OF ERECTION: From local residents, while none could give us the name of its former owner or tell us anything of its history, they said the records on file on the county map showed that it was built as early as 1715 if not in 1713.

ARCHITECT: None

BUILDER: Unknown

PRESENT CONDITION: Good as could be expected for its age.

NUMBER OF STORIES: One large room.

MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION: Logs hewn in the nearby forest, and bark.

OTHER EXISTING RECORDS: There are none so far as we can find on this particular hut but in the booklet entitled Schoharie Valley Lore by Ellsworth Vrooman, who is a descendant from one of the early settlers by the same name, there is mentioned this type of home being used from 1713 to 1717.

ADDITIONAL DATA: This log cabin compares identical with the ones built in the vicinity of Plattsburg, N.Y. and differs from the cabins built in the middle west during the time of the early 1800s in the manner in which the logs were notched for joining on the corners.

Mrs. L. F. Hughes

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